

(13) "ADDITIONAL CHARGE" MEANS THE CHARGE IMPOSED BY A COUNTY PURSUANT TO SECTION 204H-5(C) OF THIS SUBTITLE ~~ON--THE TELEPHONE-SUBSCRIBERS-IN-THAT-COUNTY.~~

204H-2.

(A) On or before July 1, 1985 all counties shall have in operation a 911 system.

[(1)] (B) This system may operate as part of a multicounty system [provided] IF that implementation is preceded by cooperative planning.

[(2)] (C) Service available through a 911 system shall include police, fire fighting, and emergency ambulance services. Other emergency and civil defense services may be incorporated into the 911 system at the discretion of the county or counties being served by the system.

[(3)] (D) The digits 911 shall be the primary emergency telephone number within the system, but a public safety agency whose services are available on the 911 system may maintain a separate secondary backup number for emergency calls and shall maintain a separate number for nonemergency telephone calls.

[(4)] (E) Public safety agencies within a county 911 system shall in all cases be notified by the public safety answering point of a request for service in that county. There shall be where possible written guidelines to govern the assignment of calls for assistance to the appropriate public safety agency and there shall be written agreements among State, county and local public safety agencies that have concurrent jurisdiction so that there is a clear understanding as to which specific calls for assistance will be referred to individual public safety agencies.

[(5)] (F) Counties, public safety agencies, public safety answering points and other local governmental units may enter into cooperative agreements for the allocation of MAINTENANCE, operational and capital costs attributable to the 911 system.

204H-3.

(a) There is [created] an Emergency Number Systems Board consisting of 11 members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The members of the Board [shall be] SERVED FOR TERMS OF 4 YEARS EACH AND ARE as follows:

(1) One member representing a telephone utility company operating in Maryland;

(2) One member representing the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services;